

State of California
AIR RESOURCES BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 11-20

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert P. Oglesby is leaving the Office of Legislative Affairs at the California Air Resources Board (ARB) after over 20 years of dedicated service to go to the California Energy Commission and, therefore, it is appropriate to call attention to his many achievements and extend commendation to him for his accomplishments;

WHEREAS, after obtaining a degree in Political Science from the University of California at Davis in 1977, Rob began his career at the California Department of Economic and Business Development where he served as a Business Development Specialist and Legislative Coordinator. In 1981, he moved to the private sector to serve as a legislative advocate with the law firm of Orrick, Harrington & Sutcliffe where he concentrated on public finance, labor and environmental law;

WHEREAS, Rob returned to State service at ARB in 1990 as a Legislative Representative where he quickly rose through the ranks becoming Chief of Intergovernmental Affairs in 1995. After briefly serving at the California Department of Consumer Affairs' Bureau of Automotive Repair as Deputy Chief, Rob returned to ARB in 1998 as the Legislative Director;

WHEREAS, Rob's legislative accomplishments are so numerous that it is impossible to list them all; some noteworthy accomplishments include helping to save California's Enhanced Smog Check Program through a series of bills in 1994—including SB 198 (Kopp), AB 2018 (Katz), and SB 521 (Presley); establishing greenhouse gas standards for light-duty vehicles in 2002 (AB 1493, Pavley); phasing out agricultural burning in the San Joaquin Valley in 2003 (SB 705, Florez); and establishing the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB 32, Nunez);

WHEREAS, Rob understands technological advancement is an essential component of the State's fight against air pollution and has worked tirelessly to support the State's pollution control financial assistance program, helping to add \$80 million per year to the Carl Moyer Program in 2004 (AB 923, Firebaugh); \$1 billion in Proposition 1B funds to support goods movement emission reductions in 2006 (SB 1266, Perata); and \$200 million per year for alternative fuels and vehicle technologies, including \$50 million per year for the Air Quality Improvement Program in 2007 (AB 118, Nunez);

WHEREAS, Rob's highly charged personality and electrifying smile have helped transform ARB and the Office of Legislative Affairs to a highly energized dynamo, and these same megawatt attributes will help him to substantially add to the California Energy Commission's baseload capacity;

WHEREAS, Rob artfully guided Assemblymember Mike Eng and the Legislature to refine California's Smog Check Program in 2010 to bring about quicker and less costly state-of-the-art on-board diagnostics testing, reducing emissions by 70 tons per day—equivalent of removing 800,000 cars from the road—(AB 2289, Eng);

WHEREAS, Rob's tie collection and knot tying skills have raised the bar for all ARB employees;

WHEREAS, Rob's passion for all things legislative is second to none, he still finds time to make wine and beer and lead weekly bike rides along the American River, enhancing the health and wellbeing of ARB employees, Capitol legislative staffers, and others;

WHEREAS, Rob's extensive knowledge of Capitol history and architecture makes him one of the most qualified people to give Capitol tours to new Legislative Office staff as well as to visiting out-of-state dignitaries;

WHEREAS, Rob always had a calm and positive attitude. He provided an honest and caring voice of reason sometimes pointing out the one thing everyone else forgot as ARB developed its Climate Change Program, including the Scoping Plan, AB 32 fee, and the Cap-and-Trade Program;


WHEREAS, Rob has been unselfish in sharing his voluminous knowledge and skills to empower others to reach their greatest potential.

WHEREAS, Rob is well-known as a skillful sailor—having once tipped a sailboat at Fallen Leaf Lake, stepping on the keel and climbing back in without getting wet, he has successfully applied this skill to navigate the legislative waters and serve unwaveringly for the cause of clean air under five Governors including George Deukmejian, Pete Wilson, Gray Davis, Arnold Schwarzenegger, and twice under Jerry Brown.

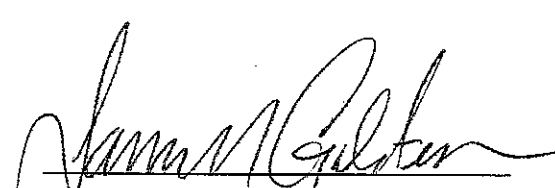
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that ARB acknowledges Rob's dedication and contribution not only to legislation but improving air quality, protecting public health, and tackling climate change.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ARB wishes Rob the best of luck at the California Energy Commission and looks forward to continuing to work with him in his new capacity.

Executed at Sacramento, California, on this 14th day of April 2011.


Mary D. Nichols
Chairman




James N. Goldstene
Executive Officer